

**September 6, 2013**

**Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.**

### **The Detroit News: Wayne County to recount ballots for Detroit mayoral primary election**

"The Wayne County Board of Canvassers decided Thursday to begin a recount of Detroit's primary election that was certified two days earlier. The board accepted eight of the nine petitions for a recount. That includes a petition from mayoral candidate Tom Barrow, who contends a recount will uncover fraud."

[Full story](#)

### **The Detroit News: Task force to examine over-budget, half-finished Wayne Co. jail project**

"... [Wayne County Executive Robert] Ficano's administration is looking to work with the state to develop a jail and court facilities at a closed state facility on Mound Road and East Davison in the city. The state shut down the correctional facility in January 2012. The plan includes selling the half-finished jail site along with a courthouse and other county properties to help make up taxpayer expenses and pay for renovations at the Mound Road site."

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**Also see:**

### **Detroit Free Press: Stalled Wayne County Jail project to be reviewed by task force**

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### **The Detroit News: Judge dismisses lawsuit over man's arrest for carrying rifle in Birmingham**

"Police did not violate a young man's rights in April 2012 by arresting him after he openly carried a loaded military rifle through downtown Birmingham, a federal judge has ruled. Sean Combs, 18, of Troy, filed a lawsuit against the city claiming his Fourth Amendment rights had been violated by false arrest and imprisonment in the April 13 incident."

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### **Ann Arbor Chronicle: Washtenaw Trial Court Budget Items Approved**

"At their Sept. 4, 2013 meeting, Washtenaw County commissioners acted on three budget items related to the Washtenaw Trial Court – for a new case management software system, and for state funding of the court's juvenile division. The board gave final approval to the selection of a new record-keeping software system for the Washtenaw County Trial Court that's estimated to cost \$2.3 million."

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### **Detroit Legal News: SBM to hold annual meeting at Lansing Center**

"Members of the legal community will gather Sept. 18-20 at the Lansing Center in downtown Lansing for the State Bar of Michigan Annual Meeting and Solo and Small Firm Institute.... [On Thursday, Sept. 19,] Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert P. Young Jr. will swear in the 79th president of the State Bar, Brian D. Einhorn, and other officers during the luncheon. In addition, 36th District Court Judge Cylenthia LaToye Miller will swear in the 2013-2014 chair of the Representative Assembly, Kathleen M. Allen."

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**Note: The article also ran in the Oakland County Legal News.**

**Also see:**

## **Flint-Genesee County Legal News: SBM to honor 2013 award winners at Sept. 18 banquet**

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**Note:** The article also ran in the Muskegon County Legal News.

## **Jackson Citizen Patriot: Jackson residents turn out for neighborhood meeting to discuss stormwater utility fee lawsuits**

"... Jackson City Councilman Derek Dobies, 6th Ward, conducted a neighborhood meeting Sept. 5 to discuss the city's stance on the stormwater lawsuit against it, and what residents can expect moving forward. Jackson officials last week opted to reject a settlement offer in the stormwater utility class action suit, which was filed in the hopes that some of the \$3 million raised in stormwater fees would be refunded to city residents."

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## **MLive.com: Macomb County Jail 'emergency' means inmates could go home early**

"As of Thursday, the Macomb County Jail was overbooked by 31 inmates, but unlike a hotel chain, administrators can't just start cancelling reservations.... If the population is not thinned within two weeks, Macomb County Circuit Court Judge John Foster is required to go through the list of inmates and determined who to release early in order to bring the population below 1,213."

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## **Oakland County Legal News: Associations to host Membership Roundup**

"The annual Wolverine Bar Association-Association of Black Judges of Michigan Membership Roundup will be hosted on Thursday, Sept. 19, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Finn and Porter Restaurant located inside the Fort-Shelby Doubletree Hotel at 525 W. Lafayette in Detroit."

[Full story](#)

## **Rushing-Estes-Knowles Mortuary/Uvalde, TX: Obituary: Judge Yale Kerby**

"Yale 'Leland' Kerby, 88, passed on July 31, 2013 at his home in Uvalde.... From the time of his graduation from Ohio Northern University Law School until his death, Leland was a practicing attorney. In addition, he served as both a District Judge and Circuit Court Judge for the State of Michigan. A Michigan native, he moved to Texas shortly after retiring as a Circuit Court Judge in 1983."

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## **SBM Blog: Barry Howard Named 2013 Winner Of Hilda Gage Award For Judicial Excellence**

"The Michigan Judges Association has named former Oakland County Circuit Court chief judge Barry Howard as the winner of its 2013 award for judicial excellence. The award is named for former Michigan Court of Appeals judge Hilda Gage."

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